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SUBJECT: UNCTAD CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN FORM A

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1. UNCTAD SECRETARIAT (BRANDENBURG) HAS AGAIN CONFIRMED THAT OUR PROPOSED REVISION OF FOOTNOTE 4 OF FORM A WILL NOT HAVE TO BE APPROVED BY RADE AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD. BRANDENBURG POINTS OUT THAT THE UNCTAD WORKING GROUP ON RULES OF ORIGIN AT ITS THIRD SESSION DEC 7-15, 1970 (TD/B/AC.5/38 OF 21 DEC 1970) ONLY AGREED ON FRONT SIDE OF FORM A. ANNEX B OF THE REPORT REGARDING NOTES ON REVERSE SIDE OF FORM A ONLY STATES THAT REPORT INDICATES MAIN ELEMENTS OF THE RULES OF THE DIFFERENT PREFERENCE GIVING COUNTRIES AND DETAILS ARE OBTAINABLE FROM THEIR CUSTOMS AUTHORITIES. SECRETARIAT WILL INFORM CHAIRMAN OF OECD WORKING PARTY GABRIELSSON OF THIS WHEN HE IS IN TOWN NEXT WEEK, BUT ALSO HOPES WE WILL BE PREPARED TO RAISE IT AT MARCH OECD MEETING ON RULES OF ORIGIN IN CASE QUESTIONS COME UP. SECRETARIAT ALSO ASKED WHEN WE WILL HAVE REVISED TEXT OF FOOTNOTE 4 SO THAT THEY CAN NOTIFY BENEFICIARY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES (BDC).

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2. SECRETARIAT HAS ASKED HOW BDC SHOULD NOTIFY US WHO IS GOVERNMENT AUTHORITY AUTHORIZED TO CERTIFY FORM A IN ITS COUNTRY. MISSION NOTED THAT US EMBASSIES HAVE BEEN ASKED TO GET INFORMATION FROM BDCS AND TRANSIT IT TO US CUSTOMS. WHAT SHOULD UNCTAD SAY IN GSP HANDBOOK WHICH IS BEING REVISED?

3. SECRETARIAT ALSO SAID WORKING PARTY AGREED THAT BDC WOULD ONLY HAVE TO SUPPLY TITLE AND SPECIMEN OF THE SEAL OF THE CERTIFYING AUTHORITY AND NOT NAME OF OFFICIAL SINCE THIS OFTEN CHANGES. SECRETARIAT NOTED US REQUIRES OFFICIAL'S NAME AND CONTENDS THAT BECAUSE NAME OFTEN CHANGES IT IS DIFFICULT TO KEEP THIS INFORMATION CURRENT. DOES WASHINGTON HAVE ANY COMMENT ON THIS POINT? DALE

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